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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

SUBJECT : Comment

: Comments on Operational Plan, 4070th Support Wing (SAC)

REFERENCE: Memorandum from Deputy Project Director re: Review of the Subject Operational Plan

1. I have read the subject plan and can find no major points to which I can take exception. I am not sure that the basic concept, as set forth in Section II.2, wherein SAC assumes only two overseas detachments in operation at any one time, represents your present thinking, though at one stage this assumption was substantially

correct.

2. Quite obviously, the various dates for manning and combat readiness have slipped considerably since December, when this plan was drafted. I do believe that it would be highly advisable for us to reschedule our operational readiness dates now, taking into consideration, insofar as we can, the various intangibles involved, including possible delay caused by political considerations.

I am not exactly sure that SAC's concept of deployment, wherein a detachment consumes only 14 days from start to finish of overseas movement, is applicable to us, especially since we have talked all along about a three-stage deployment with about 14 days between groups. Also, I rather suspect that their deployment concept presupposes movement from direct to overseas station - a plan that fails to take into account our need to have Agency civilian and military personnel in Washington prior to departure for processing, and which also does not appear to allow time for leave prior to deployment for any Agency civilian or military people.

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